GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3730
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Trade Margin on Non-Branded Medicines
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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(a) the percentage of trade margin for non-branded medicines;
(b) whether the said trade margin has not been stabilized at a particular percentage by the Government;
(c) if so, the manner in which the said trade margin is beneficial for the public; and
(d) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS; MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a): The 16% margin provided for Scheduled Drugs in Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 does not distinguish between branded and non-branded medicines.

(b): In view of reply to (a) above, does not arise.

(c): The government by restricting the margin to 16% for Scheduled drugs in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 helps the public in getting these medicines at reasonable price.

(d): In view of reply to (c) above, does not arise.

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